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## Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC, As a resident of our lovely coast and as a first responder, I feel that the current communication grid is very poor for those of us who live in rural areas. It is imperative that we retain, and expand, the communication systems that those in urban areas enjoy. Cell systems are among the first to go in a weather emergency, and given that there are many elderly residents who need and depend on as their lifeline. Maintaining a hard line is critical for these people who may need emergency services. I don't understand why our telecommunications coverage is worse than that of third world countries. Keep ATT here and keep hard line providers!

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